ment Scheme in the various units of FCI and HFC are given below:—

Units/Division/Office	Number of employees who have taken voluntary retirement
1. Fertilizer Corporation of India Limited (FCI)	
(i) Sindri Unit	93
(ii) Ramagundam Unit	25
(iii) Talcher Unit	23
(iv) Gorakhpur Unit	133
(v) Marketing Division	18
(vi) Korba Division	7
(vii) Jodhpur	19
(viii) Central Office	66
TOTAL	384
2. Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation Limited (HFC)	
(i) Barauni Unit	129
(ii) Durgapur Unit	128
(iii) Namrup Unit	179
(iv) Haldia Division	145
(v) Marketing Division	133
(vi) Fertilizer Promotion and Agricultural Research Division	244
(vii) Calcutta Purchase Office	27
(viii) Corporate Office	39
TOTAL	1024

Study for Drug Industry

3775. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1337 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 5th December, 1991 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that after 1970-71 no study of the break-even mark-up has been carried out by Government;

(b) why such a study is not being got conducted so as to know the real position of the drug industry;

(c) whether it is a fact that sandwitched between the issue of mark-up and trade commission, Government are ignoring the interests of common man; and

(d) what steps Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) to (d) Mark-up is provided to cover post manufacturing expenses over and above the ex-factory cost of production of a formulation, incurred by the manufacturer including trade commission and his profit margin. In determination of reasonable level of mark-up the situation prevailing in the industry and pharmaceutical market are taken into account while formulating the pricing policy from time to time. This is done with the objective of ensuring availability to consumers at reasonable prices and at the same time not making manufacture of medicines an unattractive proposition.

Permitting equity to foreign pharmaceutical companies

3776. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to permit 51 per cent equity to foreign pharmaceutical companies ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN) : (a) and (b) The Drug Policy does not prescribe any limits on the